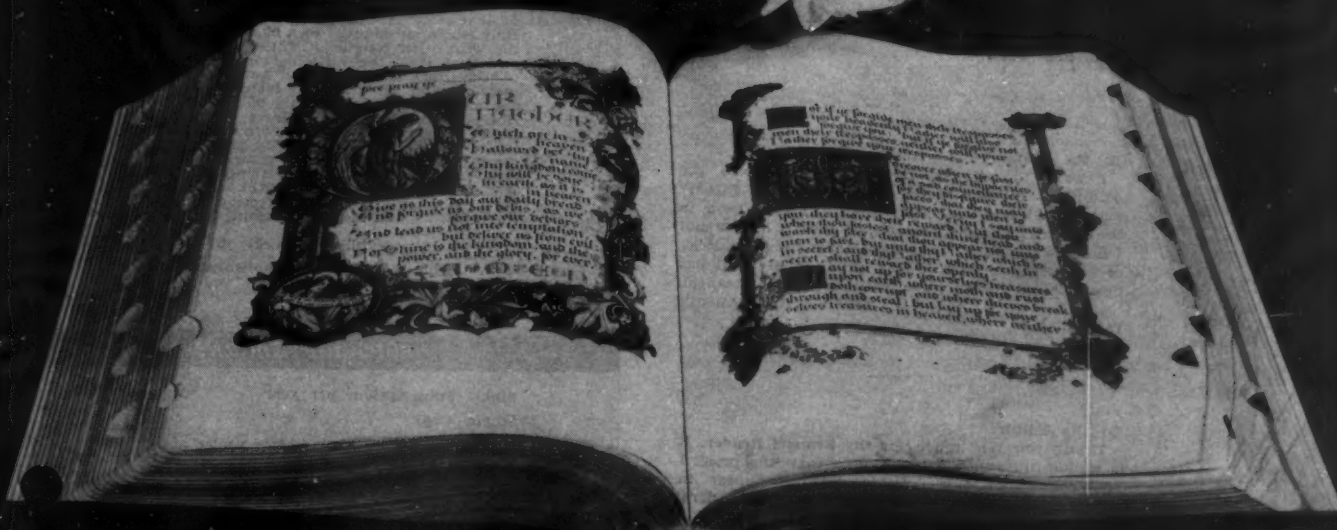


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Readers' RESPONSE

To the Editor:

I have been a subscriber to the Evangel for forty-six years. I knew all except one of those warriors you mentioned in the editorial "The World Was Not Worthy," and I want to say L. Howard Julliat was a wonderful man of God. He and Brother Sam C. Perry were in our home in Fargo, Georgia, in 1909 for a revival.

The first copy of the Evangel I saw was in 1910 in Mattie Perry's orphanage. If I am not mistaken it was called "Evening Light."

May the Lord bless you in the good work.

P. F. FRITZ

Nashville, Tenn.

To the Editor:

I want to tell you how much I enjoyed the editorials "Straight Talk From a Holiness Father" and "The World Was Not Worthy." I have been in the Church of God for nearly 27 years. I love it and I love its teachings. They have never been too strict or too straight. I see it as I did then. My soul has been blessed reading the messages in the Evangel.

MRS. E. W. CARDEN

Denver, Colo.

To the Editor:

Thank you very much for the Evangel Reader. It is wonderful, and worth far more than the price. I know many of those whose writings appear in this wonderful book. —MRS. THOMAS PRUETT

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Five Worldly Pursuits

The Editor's Message

AS WAS POINTED out last week, worldliness is any conformity to the world that conflicts with our conformity to God's law. It is a spirit, an attitude that may or may not manifest itself in recognizable ways.

Probably the most destructive form of worldliness is that which disguises itself in a cloak of piety. It is as evil to conform to the unholy standards of ambition and desire as it is to array ourselves in immodesty and to seek recreation in folly.

The fact that much worldliness is an attitude of the mind, with or without visible manifestations, is borne out by Romans 12:2.

And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.

Note that the *mind* is that which conforms to the world and must be transformed or renewed to the will of God.

There are many ways in which the Christian mind may become tainted with the spirit of the world—in forms of pride, of selfishness, of obstinacy, of deceit, of compromise, and many others. I should like to turn your attention at this time, however, to the desires, the ambitions, or the pursuits that so easily become worldly in nature.

1. The pursuit of *popularity*. The world has placed a greater premium on popularity than is proper, as if to be popular were the aim of life itself. This false notion has crept into the lives of many Christians. It is good to be appreciated and admired, but not at the expense of our principles and Christian boldness. Not always do Christian standards bring the acclaim of the masses; indeed, Jesus warned us about too much popularity.

Woe unto you, when all men shall speak well of you! for so did their fathers to the false prophets.

(Luke 6:26)

Yea, and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution.

(2 Timothy 3:12)

Any desire to be popular that causes us to sacrifice

our ideals, our principles, our convictions, or our straightforwardness is a worldly ambition. We should want the favor of our fellow men, but not at the cost of our favor with God. The quest for popularity is a dangerous thing. We should instead seek the favor of God and let that fact in our lives bring what favor of man it will.

2. The pursuit of *publicity*. Cheap publicity is rotten. When any Christian will resort to tricks or stunts or capers to project himself into the glare of publicity, he cheapens himself, his testimony and his Lord. Oh, but how some bask in the limelight! It is pride, egotism, vanity; it is the very spirit of this world.

3. The pursuit of *position*. To seek position and power is often actually sinful. Some persons desire above everything else in life to attain positions of power and prominence, frequently justifying their worldly ambitions with two Scriptures: "Seek that ye may excel" and "Desire the office of a bishop." When we read these verses in full we see that their meaning is service and labor, not honor and prominence.

Seek that ye may excel to the edifying of the church.

(1 Corinthians 14:12)

If a man desire the office of a bishop, he desireth a good work.

(1 Timothy 3:1)

The madness for power and authority is made no hollower because it wears ecclesiastical garb. It is a worldly spirit that should stay in the world. The true Christian attitude will even flee positions of honor before it will seek them.

4. The pursuit of *pre-eminence*. This spirit fills the earth and brings jealousy, disputes, hatred and cruelty. The scramble to be on top is a mad, sinful chase, for it is a desire to dominate and suppress. Just as those who seek position should be in politics and not in the Church, so those who desire pre-eminence should be in a totalitarian state lest they try to turn the Church into one. This evil existed in the day of St. John:

I wrote unto the church: but Diotrephes, who loveth to have the preeminence

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THE DEVIL IS ALL out in his attack against the Word of God. He is bent on dethroning God (see Ezekiel 28:2; 2 Thessalonians 2:3, 4). Satan is making supreme efforts in these days against spiritual and supernatural Christianity, and in reality there is no other kind of Christianity. The devil is bent upon wreckage, trying to wreck the Church of God on the rocks of either formalism, fanaticism, ritualism or modernism, the latter being the archenemy of Christianity.

Modernism is a diabolical and deceptive cult. It minimizes sin. It humanizes God and deifies man. It is a mixture of atheistic science and godless education. All Christianity is staked upon the truth of the facts which modernism denies: our Lord's character, nature and work, and our faith and experience. If the modernist is right, then Christianity is humbug. If modernism is right, then Jesus Christ is not the "good man" they declare Him to be, and the teaching of the Bible is absolutely false, for sweet and bitter waters cannot come from the same fountain.

There are many unsuspecting persons who look up-

on modernism as a modern application of Christianity to this advanced age; such is not the case. In the final analysis, when stripped of its high-sounding religious phrases, it is found to be absolutely anti-Christian. Of what modernist can it be said as was said of one of our great fundamentalists? Mr. Lloyd George speaking of Dr. Dinsdale Young on the occasion of his diamond jubilee celebration, said if the two generations of people to whom Dr. Young had preached had followed his teaching, it would not have mattered what ministers sat around the table in Downing Street. What a statement from a great statesman regarding a great fundamentalist! It implies this, that the "old-fashioned Bible" and "the old-fashioned gospel" hold the key to many of our national problems. This is by no means new information, for wherever the gospel has been received, men's hearts have been changed, and the results have been seen in changed conditions.

No form of earthly government could ever accomplish this. This is the work of Christ alone—the Christ who is blasphemed and robbed of His deity

Sabotage of the Church

By John Woodhead

Leadership for Liberty



and even of His character by these modernists; the Christ who "came to break oppression, to set the captive free, to take away transgression and rule in equity."

Today's Betrayal

Today we find that the very truths which have brought untold blessing to this earth are being denied by those who are paid to proclaim them. Nineteen centuries ago religion and the world joined hands to crucify the Lord of glory. It would appear that this union has never been dissolved, for today we see a determined opposition to divine revelation. While we are not pessimistic regarding the ultimate issue, because truth will triumph, yet we are concerned for multitudes of people who, while having a cloak of profession, are being deluded. Instead of rejoicing in the truth, they are lost in the fog of modern theology.

One of the favorite taunts of infidel speakers is that "Christians do not half believe what they profess to believe." Alas, we fear this taunt is sometimes justified. Those who reject Christianity altogether are prepared to do some hard thinking, while many who declare themselves Christians are content to let others do all the thinking for them. If the godless conditions experienced on the Continent ever prevail in this land, it will be because the church is either ignorant of the power of the devil, or is not willing to make sacrifices for the defence of the truth.

Christians of other lands are well aware of the dangers that threaten them, but here in England a condition of apathy prevails. The low standards of

spirituality and the lack of Bible knowledge witnessed today is the outcome of modern theology proclaimed from many pulpits. Congregations who sit under and consent to these modern perversions are not willing to fight their way back to fundamental and historic Christianity. It was when General Fock issued the command for Allied Armies to put their backs to the wall that the advance which ended World War One began. It is high time we Christians put our backs to the wall and begin to contend earnestly for the faith which was once delivered to the saints.

The activities of the devil in this country are different from his activities in Russia. Instead of mass attack from outside, he is bent on sabotage within. The raging storm outside fails to injure the gospel ship, so he tries to get those within to hole the vessel from inside. Those who ought to be feeding the guns which defend the castle are spending their time pouring water on the powder. To cover up their failure, they compromise with the world to hide their ever-decreasing statistics; Sunday films and dances are introduced. Yet, it is only this old-fashioned gospel that is the power of God unto salvation. Let us briefly review some of the fundamentals that are being denied today.

The Infallibility of the Bible

AN INFIDEL SPEAKER in one of London's parks was asked why he always attacked the Bible and no other book. "Why can't you let it alone?" he was asked. "Because it will not let me alone," he replied. I believe this is the difficulty with many of our Bible critics. I may be asked, "But surely you do not believe in an actual Garden of Eden?" Yes, I believe in it just as much as I believe in those beautiful gardens I was privileged to visit this summer. "But really you do not believe that the sun stood still?" I certainly do. Surely it is not unreasonable to believe that He who created the sun should possess the power to control its movements. Yes, I even believe the story of Jonah and the big fish in spite of all that the critics have to say. This account of Jonah has been confirmed by more than one well-authenticated incident.

Sixty-three Years of Engineering Science and Social Work, by Sir Francis Fox, gives this incident told to the engineer by the manager of a whaling station. "In the vicinity of the Falkland Islands in February 1891, two boats attacked a sperm whale which with a lash of its tail upset one of the boats. One of the men thrown into the water, James Bartley, could not be found. The whale was killed, and the next morning the stomach was hoisted on board the whaling ship. The sailors were startled by something which gave spasmodic signs of life, and inside was found the missing sailor, doubled up and unconscious.

"He was kindly and carefully treated by the captain and officers and gradually regained possession of his senses. At the end of the third week he was entirely recovered from shock and resumed his duties. Bartley affirmed that he would probably have lived inside his house of flesh until he starved, for he lost his sense

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through fright and not from lack of air. It finally dawned on him that he had been swallowed by a whale and he was overcome with horror at the situation. He could breathe easily, but the heat was terrible. Death stared him in the face. He tried to look at it bravely, but the terrible quiet, darkness, and heat combined with the horrible knowledge of his environment, overcame him."

Other incidents could be given to prove this long assailed Bible story, but without outside confirmation, the fact that our Lord believed it is enough for us. The modernist says the Bible cannot be accepted as infallible because much contained therein is not fit for young people to read, and again because parts of the Old Testament encourage cruelty. Against this I would say that in the whole of Christendom, it would be impossible to find one life which has been made impure by reading the Word of God. An unclean book would cause its readers to be unclean, but the noblest lives have been those shaped by the Word of God. No one has ever been ruined by reading the Bible.

It is because the Bible has been neglected in our homes that many of the young people of this generation are so godless and immoral. The person who does not like the Bible, who is critical of its contents, and shocked at its records, has never experienced its power in his or her life. A lady who excelled in making wax flowers and fruit was criticized severely by her friends

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A Brief Review of the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada

By E. N. O. Kulbeck

Editor, Pentecostal Testimony

THE NEWS OF THE outpouring of the Holy Spirit in the Azusa Street Mission in Los Angeles in 1906 reached Canada almost immediately, quickening the thirst of hungry believers for the Pentecostal baptism and its revelation of the Lord Jesus Christ as recorded in the Book of Acts.

Early Camp Meetings and Conventions

In the early days there was no organization but much of the growth centered around camp meetings, especially in the East, the Stouffville Camp near Toronto, and later the Jordan Camp meetings at Vineland, Ontario. In the West the rallying point was the fall convention in Winnipeg, led by Brother A. H. Argue. These conventions were followed up by extensive evangelistic ministry.

First Organizational Moves

A convention was held in Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan, in 1919, at which Hugh Cadwalder was elected chairman of the Western Canadian District Council of the Assemblies of God, U.S.A.

Previously in 1917 a group of Pentecostal ministers had met in Montreal to form a fellowship known as the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada. Its charter members were granted a federal charter by the Canadian Federal Government in 1919 by an Act of Parliament.

In 1921 a Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada conference was held in Montreal to which the Reverend J. W. Welch, of Springfield, Missouri, then general chairman of the Assemblies of God, U.S.A., was invited. As a result the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada became the Eastern Canadian District Council of the Assemblies of God. This action brought the western and eastern organized groups into one single organic union. Shortly afterward the Canadian Districts Councils of the Assemblies of God of U.S.A. were dissolved, being replaced by the autonomous national all-Canadian body, the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada, while maintain-

ing a close fellowship and cooperation with the American body.

Now Seven District Conferences

Beginning with Eastern and Western Conference the work in Canada has grown until today in 1957 there are seven District Conferences: British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Western Ontario, Eastern Ontario and Quebec, and the Maritimes composed of New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, and Bermuda.

In addition to these regular full conferences, there are also the French Conference and various other language groups such as the Slavic Branch, the German Branch, and the Finnish Branch, as well as Italians and others who all work directly with their own language group. Extensive missionary work is also being done in the Canadian Northland among the Eskimos and Indians from James Bay on the east to James Bay in the far North, and by the Gospel Boats in the North Pacific.

At this time (1957) there are 635 churches and branch churches in the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada. There are 500 ordained ministers and 835 certified workers who hold other forms of credentials such as Ministerial License for Women (a limited form of ordination for women), Deaconesses, and Ministerial License and other forms of recognition for specific types of Christian work.

The Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada have increased from 25 churches in 1920 to more than 600 in 1956; from 8 missionaries in 1920 to 120 in 1957; from annual missionary givings of \$10,000 in 1920 to \$506,000 in 1955. (The 1951 Federal Canadian census in 1951 gave the number of Pentecostal adherents as 95,000.)

Outstanding Leadership

The following brethren have served as general super-
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testimonies

"The Love of God Must Be Manifested"

PITTS, Ga. — Hebrews 12:14 states, "Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord." Actually, I think many persons in our holiness ranks do not know what holiness really is. Holiness means really giving wholly up to God's will; a real housecleaning, with no dirty shelves behind the door. God's holiness will clean up a person's mind and heart, and give him a pure and clean heart. It will change his everyday living. 1 John 3:7, 9, 10, "Little children, let no man deceive you: he that doeth righteousness is righteous, even as he is righteous. Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; for his seed remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God. In this the children of God are manifest, and the children of the devil: whosoever doeth not righteousness is not of God, neither he that loveth not his brother." If our hearts and minds are clean and pure as those Scriptures state, they are cleaned up from lust, pride, envy, strife and all other spirits that defile the soul of man.

When God saved and healed me in 1929, I had so much of God's great and powerful love. I thought all who said they were Christians felt the same thing I did. I loved everyone so much. God sent His Son to the world to save people from their sins. He purifies us so we can be a witness for Him. If our lives are not clean we cannot bring the light to those that sit in darkness. The world knows about sin and amusement. They are looking for the love of Jesus to be manifested, so He can take away their sins and give them love and peace within.

During World War II I went to Washington, D. C., to see my son who was in service. They had rooms with some Catholic people. When I walked in this house the lady of the house was coming down the stairs. She said to me, "You are from a long way off." At that time I lived in Chosen, Florida. I said, "Yes, I am from Florida." She said, "I knew, for I dreamed of you while I was asleep." That

night I had such a burden I could not sleep. I did not understand what it was all about, but as I left to go to the railway station she threw her arms around my neck and said, "I hate to see you leave; I have never before seen anyone like you." Then God spoke and said, "It's not you; it's the love of God in you." The afternoon before this, I had spoken to her of my belief.

This lady's mother had cancer of the breast, and as a result of this experience, they went to a holiness church where she was prayed for. The cancer fell off and they were saved and joined the holiness church. The precious love of Jesus is so powerful it can save Catholic and all other people. These people were Italian; the whole family had been Catholic until this time.

The love of Jesus is enough; there is nothing we can add to it. If we have enough of the love of Jesus, people will be won to Christ.

Some persons want to be healed to go on in their sins. They have never felt that compassionate love of the Son of God who gave His precious life for us. The love of God is the foundation of our salvation.

—Mrs. J. K. Hooks

"Prayer Is a Sword That Drives the Devil Away"

ROANOKE, Ala.—"He that dwelleth in the secret place of the most high shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty." The most secret place that I have ever found in this life is alone with God in prayer. If we abide in prayer and stay humble before God, no evil can touch our spirit. We will keep the victory every day we live in this life. We cannot have a bad spirit one day and then go to church the next day and shout the victory of God. We must live it every day if God accepts our testimony. If we abide in God and prayer, we will not get a bad spirit; love stays the same at all times. Prayer is a sword that drives the devil away. Prayer will make a bridge to cross over any difficulties. Prayer will keep us in touch with God and heaven and make a way when there is no way. If we

stay humble and pray, we will live in God's tender care.

I want to live the rest of my short life where God can ever look on me. My life has been so short here on earth and I have done so little for God; I hope to be a blessing to someone yet. I have been traveling this pilgrim road for 62 years. It has not been a bed of roses all the way, but I can say it has been a sweet walk with God. He has healed me so many times. I don't know what it is to take drugs; I had a doctor one time in 50 years.

I have just a few more steps to go, just a few more days to roam, but the way grows more delightful as I'm drawing nearer home. Glory, glory, I love the good clean way of right living and desire the prayers of everyone.

—Mrs. S. F. Bowen

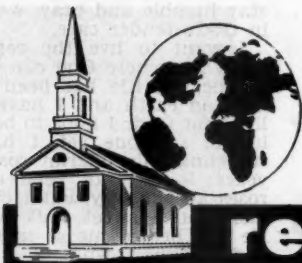
Failure to Pray Causes Near Collapse

ATLANTA, Ga.—Last year in March I almost had a nervous breakdown. I was so nervous and weak that I felt I couldn't live. One day I began to cry and could not seem to stop. I had so much work to do I thought I did not have time to read the Bible and pray. That is why I got in this condition, I'm sure. Let this be a warning to you, if you are too busy to read God's Word and pray, you are TOO busy. While I was crying my husband and children became very upset and called my mother. When she came she put her hand on my head and began to pray. I'll never forget some of the words she used in that prayer. The prayer was short, but oh, so powerful. She said, "Dear God, you gave Jesus power to calm a great big sea and I know you can calm a small thing like Rachel, so in the name of Jesus, calm her right now." That was all I needed; I stopped crying and began to improve from that time.

The doctor told me to take a week off, away from home and the children. I had to take time out for rest and leave my home and work. This taught me another lesson, for if I could let my work go to rest, I surely could let it go and read and pray each day. The Bible warns us against letting the cares of life hinder us in our devotion to God. Most of us do not intend to neglect our duty to God, but we get busy and the time is gone before we realize it. I hope this will help someone to "take time to be holy" as the song says, whether you think you have time or not.

Now when I find myself getting worried or nervous, I just look up to God and say, "If you can calm a great big sea, I know you can calm me."

—Rachel K. Moss



reports

LADIES' BIBLE CLASS OF THE ARACOMA CHURCH



ARACOMA, W. Va.—We wish to sound a note of praise for the wonderful way in which the Lord has blessed and prospered the efforts of the Ladies' Bible Class of the Aracoma Church, under the able leadership of our class teacher, Sister Blanche Morgan.

We have been able to contribute \$1,000 to the building fund for our

new church building which is now under construction. The people have a mind to work and a spirit of unity, and fellowship is prevailing in our midst. We expect to do greater things for the Lord in this new year.

—Sister Bessie Jeffries,
class reporter

Church Enjoys Six Weeks of Special Services

BALDWIN PARK, Calif.—February 25 through Easter Sunday, April 6, 1958, will go down in history as the most outstanding and enjoyable six weeks in the history of the Baldwin Park Church of God.

For many weeks we had looked forward to the evening of February 25 as the beginning of the Southern California Pentecostal Convention, and as scheduled the doors of the Baldwin Park city auditorium were opened to all of our churches in southern California, as well as many visitors from other churches in this area.

This convention, which ran Tuesday through Saturday night, was under the direction of Ralph Williams, Overseer of California, and Paul L. Walker, State Sunday School and Youth Director, who are a great blessing to the State of

California. Their wives were there assisting with the music.

Rev. C. R. Spain, Overseer of Michigan, was the evening speaker. Each evening Brother Spain delivered a really effective, soul-stirring Pentecostal message. Many prayed through to the baptism of the Holy Ghost.

The following Sunday, March 2, was another day to which the Baldwin Park Church had looked forward for almost one year. The Reverend David Pitts, of Atlanta, Georgia, arrived on Sunday afternoon and began a healing, soul-saving revival which lasted the entire month of March. Several spiritual experiences were received during these services, as well as many outstanding healings. Brother Pitts preached, played and sang for us a full month, and at the close of the revival many stated they wished the meeting was just starting instead of closing. The

Baldwin Park Church has the welcome mat out for Brother Pitts any time he wishes to return.

Another highlight in our church was the first week in the month of April. Mrs. Ralph Williams conducted a singing school, using our new church book "Echoes of Calvary." This was climaxed by a great Easter service at which time Sister Williams and the church choir presented a very fine program, followed by a great message by Brother Ralph Williams.

During all of these services our pastor and his wife, the Reverend and Mrs. John Nichols, were at their best for the Lord and His Church.

I am happy also to announce that we set a new local and state record in Sunday School attendance Easter Sunday morning—418. We feel greatly indebted to each and every one who helped make this possible. —Haskel C. Williams
Sunday School Superintendent

National Director Tours Western Canada

Eager anticipation mingled with excitement was prevalent among the Canadian people as they gathered at the church for "Operation: Promotion."

There to conduct these meetings was the Reverend O. W. Polen, National Sunday School and Youth Director. This was the first time for the National Sunday School and Youth Department to be represented in Canada. Travelling with Brother Polen and teaching in the workshop sessions were the Reverend William H. Pratt, Overseer, and the Reverend and Mrs. Willis Patton, Sunday School and Youth Director and wife.

The three two-night conventions were conducted at Estevan, Swift Current, and Consul, respectively.

The services were presented in the form of workshops, discussion periods, and challenging messages by the national director. The Holy Ghost was present at each service to challenge the heart of every Sunday School and youth worker present.

The Canadian people eagerly received the program and were grateful for receiving firsthand information from the National Office. Their appreciation was partially expressed by the splendid attendance at each service.

—Bernice Stout
Member, National Sunday
School and Youth Department Staff

Large Increase in Membership Since Assembly

ESSEX, Md.—We of the Essex Church of God are really thankful for the way God has been blessing us. Since the last Assembly, under the able leadership of our pastor, the Reverend James H. Lane, there has been an increase in membership of 42.

Miracles are being performed by the mighty power of God through the ministry of our pastor. People are being delivered in every service. They are coming forward and asking for prayer that they might receive the Holy Ghost. We have seen Brother Lane place his hands on them and command that they receive the Holy Ghost; immediately they began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit of God gave them utterance.

People have been healed by listening to him preach over the radio through the facilities of the "Voice of Deliverance Network," Baltimore, Maryland.

Pray for us at Essex, that we will stand behind our pastor like true Church of God members so that God will continue to bless us.

—Clayton E. Davis,
Secretary to the Pastor

Church Making Good Progress

MONROEVILLE, Ala.—I am glad to report good news for the Church of God at Allie. Brother Mills came to our church on New Year's night and started a revival and God wonderfully blessed us. We are having new people coming to our church. The Holy Ghost was with us every night.

Brother Mills said he was praying that God would help us get money to finish our church; three of the ladies made up \$288 in about three weeks. Our church had no ceiling or floor; now we have our church ceiled with celotex. Our pastor is blind, but he worked on the church just like someone with good eyesight. Pray for us.

—Fannie Countryman, reporter

The South Carolina Evangelistic Crusade

At seven o'clock Tuesday evening, April 1, in the historic old city of Charleston, South Carolina, nestled among the great spreading oaks draped in their vells of Spanish moss, the air scented with the sweet fragrance of many gardens of beautiful flowers, and the mighty Atlantic Ocean flinging its salty spray over this ancient landmark on its eastern shore, the doors of the Church of God opened for a great service.

This was not to be just an ordinary service, for God had sent a

double portion of His mighty Holy Ghost power to rest upon the services and had placed a powerful and mighty message upon the anointed lips of His servant Brother Ray Hughes. This was the beginning of the second evangelistic crusade of South Carolina.

The fellowship among the brethren had already denoted a very fine and receptive group of ministers and laymen. God could speak unto live ears and ready hearts.

With Sister Johnston playing the piano and such fine directors as Tom Day, Bobby Ross and our own state overseer, H. B. Ramsey, encouraging and directing them, all were soon singing the beautiful songs from our new South Carolina souvenir book.

Brother Ray Hughes preached a challenging message on "A Vision of the Harvest," showing the necessity of having compassion to enable us to properly see the fields of harvest. One could readily sense the presence of One unseen yet very powerful. Brother A. H. Batts and Brother John Smith also brought two great messages.

A survey was made by Brother Max Atkins to determine what influence netted the most souls to God. The overwhelming majority decided upon personal evangelism, or the effects of personal work and the personal touch.

The entire meeting was a challenge to all who were present to work for the Master and look for His soon coming.

—R. V. Dillingham, reporter

Many Delivered by Power of God in Sunday Service

ESSEX, Md.—Sunday, April 13, 1958, the Reverend James H. Lane, pastor of the Church of God in Essex, Maryland, stepped into the pulpit and took his text from Psalm 34:14. He had stated approximately one sentence when the Spirit of God came upon him and he preached under the Spirit for about 45 minutes. God poured out His Spirit on the entire congregation throughout the service.

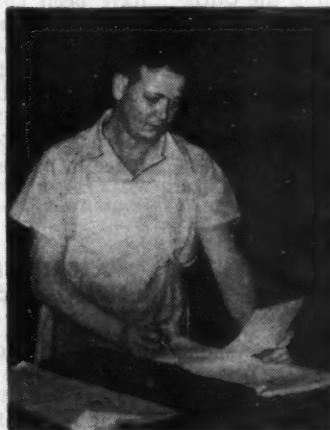
As he brought his message to a close he called for every person in the church who had a need to come forward. The altar was filled to capacity.

Brother Lane walked down the line laying his hands on each person. The power of God fell, and the people were delivered. We of the Essex Church of God need go no farther than our own church to see miracles performed by God. Our pastor, without a doubt, is an anointed man of God to preach a message of faith and deliverance to this lost and dying world.

Our participation in the Nationwide Simultaneous Revival has been a blessing to our church. People have been saved, sanctified, filled with the Holy Ghost and healed by the mighty power of God right before our very eyes.

Pray for us at Essex that we may draw to the Church of God the heart of every man, woman, boy and girl in the city of Essex.

—Clayton E. Davis,
Secretary to the Pastor



I would from time to time catch myself reading a complete sermon, report or testimony while working on *The Evangel Reader*. This book to me is the most interesting I have ever worked on. It brings back memories of men I have known and admired all of my life, also reminding me of the almost unbelievable hardships the Church of God had in its beginning and the many blessings it has had throughout the years.

—Flavius J. Lee, Jr., compositor

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FIVE WORLDLY PURSUITS

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among them, receiveth us not. Wherefore, if I come, I will remember his deeds which he doeth, prating against us with malicious words: and not content therewith, neither doth he himself receive the brethren, and forbiddeth them that would, and casteth them out of the church.

(3 John 9, 10)

This is the horrible picture of what has come to be called a "church boss." It is a spirit of the world that wants to be big and important, one that has no respect for the messenger of God. What pastor does not know the tyranny and the evil of the member who would dictate the affairs of the church. He defames the preacher, cows his fellows and then folds his arms in piety.

5. The pursuit of *profit*. The world thinks in terms of the dollar; the church should think in terms of service. Rubbing shoulders so closely with the world, however, often induces the dollar to dominate the life of a Christian. It is evil when a commercial man joins a church to help his sales. It is just as evil for the Christian to become so concerned about money that it claims thought and time and energy that belong to God and His service.

These are five evil pursuits, tainted with the world, born and bred of sin in the heart. Look at them closely:

Popularity
Publicity
Position
Pre-eminence
Profit

When the spirit of the world creeps into the Christian heart, some may seek the pleasures of the world, others may seek its styles, and others may seek its customs. These are readily seen; therefore, they are of less danger than attitudes that cannot be seen. The heart that pines for any of these five unholy pursuits is a heart overcome by the spirit of this world. You may not recognize it and I may not, but an evil seed is in the heart and the heart is of the world.



SABOTAGE OF THE CHURCH

(Continued from page 5)

and her work was unjustly derided. She convicted them by showing them an apple with which they, as usual, found fault. One complained of the color, another of the shape, and so on. When they had finished she silently took a knife, cut the apple and ate it. In like manner test the Bible, prove its power and its truth, and cease criticizing it.

The Virgin Birth

THE VIRGIN BIRTH of Christ was prophesied by Isaiah, and announced by angels to both

Mary and Joseph (Luke 1:34, 35; Matthew 1:20-23). These angelic announcements leave no doubt whatever in the mind of the child of God of the supernatural nature of the birth of our Lord Jesus. The chapters containing the accounts are in every ancient manuscript. If these chapters are to be rejected, then the entire books must be rejected. This fact was accepted by the Apostles and early Christians, and by the whole church down through the ages. For 1,956 years the virgin birth has been believed by the main body of Christian believers. The greatest proof of all is the pre-existence of Christ. "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God," John 1:1. He came out of eternity into time. Bethlehem did not mark the beginning of His life, but was just an incident in it. These words "In the beginning" carry us back beyond even those early records of creation, for "by him were all things created" (Colossians 1:16). "And the Word was made flesh . . ."

The wise men recognized He was God, and worshipped Him. If He had not been God, their worship would have been idolatry. It was God taking upon Himself humanity, not merely God dwelling in men. He was God and man, combining in one personality the two natures. It is impossible to accept Jesus as teacher, leader or example and reject the virgin birth.

Another question being asked today is: "Can the miracles of the New Testament be accepted?" One of the greatest proofs of the validity of the New Testament miracles is that Jesus Christ, who is always the same (Hebrews 13:8), is performing like miracles in these days. Inspiration foresaw that a time would come when attempts would be made to take away portions of the Bible and recorded a warning to all such (Revelation 22:19). The results of accepting these very truths that are being challenged today are that lives have been changed, lost hopes have been regained, fetters have been snapped and slaves have been released.

The gospel is still the power of God unto salvation to every one that believes. The theme of the Bible is Jesus. You will find Him the key to all your problems, the panacea for all ills, the refuge in storm, the defence in battle and above all the Saviour of your soul.



A BRIEF REVIEW OF THE PENTECOSTAL ASSEMBLIES OF CANADA

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intendent: George A. Chambers; the late James Swanson; the late D. N. Buntain; C. B. Smith; and the present incumbent, Walter E. McAllister.

The late R. E. McAllister was the first general secretary and editor of the official organ, the *Pentecostal Testimony*. He was followed by A. G. Ward and Dr. C. M. Wortman. These men originally handled the work of the missionary department.

In 1944 George R. Upton was named head of the separate missions department. Clare Scratch has since been made promotional missionary secretary.

The former Miss Ethel Bingeman, now Mrs. R. J. Jamieson, was the first director of the Women's Council. Miss Gladys Lemmon now fills this post as well as heading up the activities of the Pioneer Missionary Action Girls.

James Montgomery is in charge of the youth activities, the national Sunday School, Christ's Ambassadors and Pentecostal Boys' Crusaders departments and the Men's Fellowship work.

Indigenous Missionary Principles

The emphasis of all overseas missionary work is to train national leadership at the earliest possible moment. Already in Japan, Hong Kong, the Argentine, the British West Indies, South Africa and Rhodesia and Kenya, the indigenous churches on the field have their own autonomous conferences and elect their own officers. Any Canadians holding elective offices do so at the pleasure of the Conference and not by direction from Canada.

The P.A.O.C. has sponsored Bible schools for the training of nationals in British West Indies and Kenya; and shares the sponsorship of Bible schools with

the Assemblies of God, U.S.A. in Hong Kong, the Argentine, and South Africa. Short-term Bible schools are sponsored in connection with the Assemblies of God, U.S.A. in Liberia and with the same body as well as Scandinavian and Swiss missionaries in South Africa.

Bible Schools and Colleges in Canada

The original college, Canadian Pentecostal Bible College, later known as Western Bible College, operated in Winnipeg from 1925 to 1950 under the principalship of Dr. J. E. Purdie. At present there are five three-year Bible colleges: British Columbia Bible Institute, New Westminster, B.C.; Canadian North West Bible Institute, Edmonton, Alberta; Bethel Bible Institute, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan; Eastern Pentecostal Bible College, Peterboro, Ontario; and the French language Berea Bible Institute, Montreal, Quebec. A short-term Bible school is operated at Moosenee, James Bay, Ontario, for Indians and Eskimos.

Reviewing God's work in the Pentecostal Assemblies of Canada, truly we can stand in amazement and say, "What hath God wrought!"



Pray for my mother to be healed.
Mrs. B. V. Moore
Raleigh, North Carolina

Pray for a very special unspoken request.
A sister in Christ
Dunedin, Florida

Pray for me to be healed. I have a bad knee and my back is weak. Pray also that my husband will be saved and healed.—Mrs. L. M. Davis
Marietta, Ohio

Pray for several unspoken requests, for my family, and for me to have a greater desire to live for Him.
—Claud Owens
Heflin, Alabama

Pray for my husband to be healed and saved. He is a partial invalid. Pray for me that God will use me where He wants me to be.—Mrs. Pauline Givans
Vandale, Arkansas

Pray for my husband who is in the hospital; pray for me to be healed, I have 2 growths on my nose; pray for my unsaved children and for our church at Honeycomb.
—Ola Ledbetter
Herod, Illinois

Pray for my grandson; pray for my grandchild to be healed of nervousness; pray for my husband to be healed of knots on his arms and hands, and for my leg and side to be healed.

—Mrs. L. A. Chitwood
Toccoa, Georgia

Pray for my husband to be healed. Possibly he has cancer on his lung, and he is unsaved.
—Mrs. F. A. Phelps
Maud, Oklahoma

Pray that God will undertake for me.
—Bessie M. Austin
Albany, Georgia

Pray for my husband to be healed. Pray for me to be healed also; I am having a goiter removed.
Lois James
Oxford, Mississippi

Pray for us that our needs will be supplied.
A sister in Christ

Pray for our nine-year-old son to be healed of a nervous condition and to be saved and filled with the Holy Ghost.

Mrs. Mildred Jacobs
West Columbia, South Carolina

Pray for the church at Garland.
Mrs. Thomas Pruett
Garland, Texas



The bell of my typewriter rings, but I type on. I have become so engrossed in reading the wonderful contents of this great Evangel, that momentarily I am carried to foreign fields, or I am living with the writers the marvelous experiences of what Jesus can really do. Often I wipe the tears away, as I feel the presence of my Saviour. Then I realize I must fill the small place that my Master has for me.
—Kathryn Justinn, Librarian

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revivals

Pastor Conducts Outstanding Revival

CAMDEN, S. C.—On January 6, 1958, the Holy Ghost moved and cleared the way for the greatest revival the church has ever known. The revival closed March 3. We did not have time to get an evangelist and our pastor, Brother Holland, did the preaching. The Spirit of God moved upon us with power. The church pledged to be faithful in attendance, with fasting and prayer. For 8 weeks the Camden Church of God enjoyed a great moving of God's Spirit. In the first 4 weeks church members came back to God. Over 30 prayed through to old-time victory. Seventeen were sanctified, 19 filled with the Holy Ghost and several were healed.

No one seemed to get tired. A number that left the church 5 years ago came back and are now happy with God and His Church. The entire city was stirred. One night our pastor stopped by a filling station and the owner, a Baptist deacon, called for prayer. The prayer continued until 4:30 the next morning. Yes, if we let the Holy Ghost move in our church, he will move in the city. During the 8 weeks our blessings have been so many we can say anew God is real and the day of revivals is not over. Surely we can recommend a move of God's Spirit; it works.

Brother and Sister Holland came to us in August, 1954. Since that time God has blessed our church financially and spiritually and we are grateful.

—James W. Barnes, clerk

St. Pauls Has "Greatest Revival"

ST. PAULS, N. C.—The Church of God at St. Pauls has just closed a four-week revival with Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Black, from Hamer, South Carolina, doing the preaching. It was the greatest revival in the history of the church. Thirty-five were saved, 24 sanctified, 15 filled with the Holy Ghost and 7 united with the Church. The mes-

sages of each evening were inspiring and the church was filled to capacity.

Any church will be greatly blessed to have her as your evangelist. Brother J. S. Leonard is our pastor. —Mary Leonard, reporter

Church Greatly Blessed

BOWDON, Ga.—The Church of God in Bowdon, Georgia, recently closed a good revival conducted by Brother Lawrence Weaver, of Ellijay. Brother Weaver did some outstanding preaching, and our church was greatly blessed by his ministry.

—Terrell McBrayer, pastor

Ten Saved in Hilham Revival

HILHAM, Tenn.—We are happy to report a good revival conducted by Brother Wm. B. Little of Cookeville, Tennessee, who is a fine minister. Ten were saved, 10 sanctified, 11 filled with the Holy Ghost and 3 added to the Church. Many were blessed and several were healed.

This new work is growing fast; we give God the glory for this. Wm. Hawkins is the pastor.

—Mrs. Wm. Hawkins, reporter

Fifteen Saved in Athens Revival

ATHENS, Ga.—Athens recently had a great revival with the Reverend R. L. Jordan as the evangelist. There were 15 saved, 3 sanctified, and 4 filled with the Holy Ghost. The church was greatly blessed and revived. Anyone needing a good evangelist would do well to get Brother Jordan.

—C. H. Willis, pastor

God's Spirit Moves as Fifty-four Are Saved

ASHEBORO, N.C.—We of the Asheboro Church are praising God for the greatest revival our church has had in years.

The Reverend James Poe Jack-

son, of Hixson, Tennessee, was the evangelist. Brother Jackson has a great ministry and is used mightily of the Lord to bring conviction, salvation and healing to many. People drove a hundred miles and more to be in these services and to enjoy the unique ministry of this great man of God.

The gifts of the Spirit operated freely in many of the services, bringing great conviction into our midst with a harvest of souls at the altar. Our good pastor, Brother E. H. Miles, along with Brother and Sister Jackson, were wonderfully used of the Lord as they exercised the gifts of tongues, interpretation of tongues and prophecy.

Truly we have had a great moving of God's Spirit in this revival, blessing us with a reward of 54 souls saved, 25 sanctified, 22 baptized with the Holy Ghost and 13 added to the Church. Pray for us here in Asheboro that we may keep moving on for God.

—Rayborn Hall, reporter

Fourteen Saved in Michigan Revival

JACKSON, Mich.—We recently closed a revival with Brother Winfred Walters from Ferndale, Michigan, as the evangelist. Fourteen were saved, 5 sanctified and 2 filled with the Holy Ghost.

Every department in the church is moving forward. Our pastor, Brother R. C. Nichols, and his good wife are a blessing to the Jackson Church. Pray for us that the Lord will continue to give us an increase.

—Mrs. Edna King, reporter

Good Revival in Altoona

ALTOONA, Pa.—We have just had a wonderful revival in our church. Sister Ruth Justin was our evangelist and her inspiring messages convicted the unsaved and also encouraged the Christians. A good number were saved, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost. Sister Justin will prove a blessing wherever she may go, and our sincere prayers go with her.

—Reporter

Telegram

DETROIT, Mich.—We have just concluded a great revival with Ed Cox as evangelist. The attendance was extra good, the interest and spiritual tide high. Many were blessed and the church was wonderfully benefited.

—Luther Turner, pastor

Prayer Meetings Bring Revival Spirit

MUSKEGON, Mich.—"Tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high." Jesus spoke these words to His disciples and friends; it was one of His last commands to them before His ascension into heaven. Almost 2,000 years have passed since this parting, but these words have just as much meaning to us today as they did then. People who are willing to wait upon the Lord can still receive the power from on high. Some would like to make you believe that God is not performing healing miracles any more, that He is no longer filling people with the Holy Ghost. I hope that those persons may get a clearer understanding and change their thinking after I have told them what happened in the revival which we have just finished with Brother Roy Douglas, of Georgia.

We have been honored to have Brother Douglas with us for three weeks. God gloriously poured out His Spirit and heavenly blessings. This was a revival with all the fullness of the meaning of revival. Brother Douglas seemed to preach his heart out every night. He was very humble before God and several times postponed his message to give way to the Holy Ghost. Some might ask why our revival was so successful. About three weeks before the revival was to begin, our pastor, the Reverend N. A. Jordan, began preparing his people, began preaching evangelistic messages and encouraging the people to pray. Prayer meetings began breaking out on Sunday afternoons. Every Sunday the number in the prayer meetings increased. Prayer meetings also began in the homes each day where the women would meet and pray. Our church was hungry for God's blessings and they yearned for the revival to start. We certainly thank God for our pastor. We love him and he is proving his love for the church in the things he is doing to help it to grow. His wife and daughter have been a great inspiration to him and to the church.

When Brother Douglas came it seemed that he brought all the blessings of heaven with him. My, how God did bless! People began to eat of the heavenly food and drink of the water Jesus gave to the woman at the well. God's blessings came as a great outpouring of rain.

Miracles were witnessed throughout the revival. Many were healed of afflictions which they had had for some time. One testified that since he was a young boy he had been almost deaf in one ear. This had affected him all this time, but one night during the revival, God wonderfully healed him and he can hear again with that ear. Several

others were healed of afflictions.

The church was certainly revived. There has never been sweeter fellowship in the church than there is now. Our Sunday School is growing and we are looking for greater things from God than we have seen.

There were 5 outstanding healings, 14 saved, 15 filled with the Holy Ghost, 14 baptized in water and 16 added to the Church.

The church will long remember this wonderful outpouring of God's Spirit, and we will with every opportunity thank God for sending Brother Roy Douglas to us for this revival. Brother Douglas did not do this by himself; neither was it altogether the willingness of the people to work hard and attend every service. We must remember the words of Paul when he said, "I have planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the increase." Everything that was done was surely honored of God. We the people of the Church of God in Muskegon ask you to pray for us here.

—Burleigh O'Barr, reporter

Prayer and Fasting Bring Great Revival

TABOR CITY, N.C.—A three-week revival has just ended here in Tabor City, North Carolina, with Brother Jack Matthews of Tampa, Florida, as the evangelist. This is said to be the greatest revival in the history of the Church of God in Tabor City. We have seen God work in marvelous ways from service to service, and the gifts of the Spirit in operation. People who had been in Holiness for a number of years testified of seeing God work as never before. Each night before the sermon, there was prayer for the sick, and many nights there was no sermon because of the manifestations of the Holy Spirit.

We feel this great Pentecostal awakening was brought about by fasting and praying of the people. Each Monday night for weeks before the revival, the brethren met at the church to pray for an outpouring of God's Spirit. There were cottage prayer meetings. In every service emphasis was placed on prayer for the coming revival. We felt that these things would come only by prayer and fasting.

Each night Brother and Sister Matthews blessed our hearts with their inspired singing. It seemed that as he came into the pulpit with his heart-warming messages, God's power came down; there was pungent conviction and souls could not resist coming to God.

Thirty-four were saved, 15 sanctified, 6 filled with the Holy Ghost, and 15 added to the Church. We feel this revival has been a blessing

financially as well as spiritually. I can recommend Brother Matthews to any church for he will bless your church.

—Joseph R. Chambers, pastor

Good Meeting in Indianapolis

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind.—The Church of God in Indianapolis is in the midst of one of the greatest revivals in the history of the church. Large crowds are attending. This is an old-fashioned revival. The Holy Ghost is manifested every night. Entire families are getting saved. There have been about 20 saved, numbers sanctified and about 12 filled with the Holy Ghost. Many wonderful healings have taken place. The evangelist is Walter Skutar.

—L. E. Snowden, clerk

Good Revival in Brownfield

BROWNFIELD, Texas—A two-week revival has just closed at the Brownfield Church of God. The Reverend Cleborn Byus and his wife were the evangelists. Brother Byus is a wonderful preacher and he and his wife are good singers. He plays the guitar and Sister Byus the accordion, and they sing songs that he writes himself.

Four were saved, 10 sanctified, 11 filled with the Holy Ghost, and 9 united with the Church during the last 7 nights of the revival. There were some outstanding healings in this revival.

—Rev. W. E. Mitchell, pastor

Six Teen-agers Converted

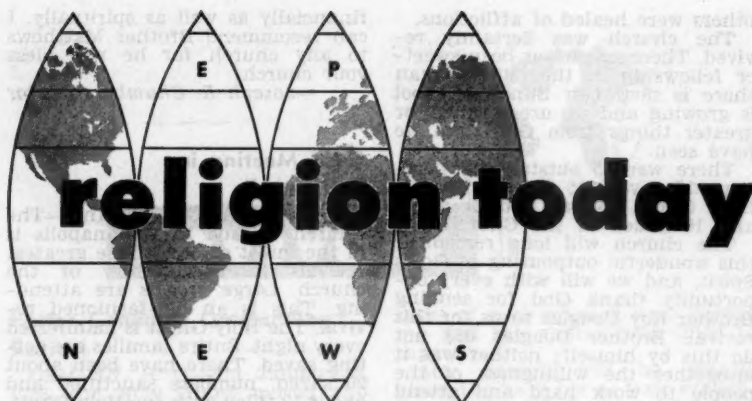
MT. OLIVE, Tenn.—I would like to report that 6 teen-agers were saved in 2 regular week-end services at the Mt. Olive Church of God. All the departments of the church are progressing nicely.

—Ross Redden, pastor

Holy Ghost Blesses Meeting

MARION, S.C.—On January 19, 1958, a twelve-night revival began at the Marion Church of God. Brother E. F. Munn, our pastor, did the preaching. It was called an obedience revival. Several messages in tongues with the interpretations were given. Several definite healings took place. The church was greatly blessed. Sinners who had never before been to an altar, prayed through. Five were saved, 2 sanctified and 2 added to the Church. The revival was enjoyed by all who attended. Brother and Sister Munn are a real blessing to our church.

—Ferne Phillips, reporter



Negro Members in Catholic Church Increasing Fast

The Commission for Catholic Missions among Colored People and Indians announced last February that it counted 575,925 Negro Roman Catholics in the U.S., a gain of 30,000 during the past year. There are 343 parochial schools for Negro children, with a total enrollment of 83,384. No figures were available on the number of Negro children attending integrated parochial schools.

Largest diocesan membership of Negroes was reported by Lafayette, Louisiana, with 75,000 Negro members. New Orleans diocese was second with 70,000 and Washington third with 53,385. Others with a large proportion of Negro members were New York, Chicago, Galveston, Philadelphia and Los Angeles.

President Lauds Sunday School Teachers

Religious education "assures the continuing strength of our service to God and neighbor." Sunday School teachers "help, by precept and example, to make clear the truths and duties of our traditional faiths." So declared President Eisenhower in a special message recognizing National Sunday School Week, April 14-20.

To express his exultant feelings, Mr. Eisenhower told reporters to look up a verse of Scripture. The reference was Song of Solomon 2:11, 12, which read:

*"For, lo, the winter is past,
The rain is over and gone;
The flowers appear on the earth;
The time of the singing of birds
is come,
And the voice of the turtle is
heard in our land."*

At the conclusion of the conference, reporters scurried for Bibles to get the quotation, which, along with the Presidential mood, became headline news.

There Is No God

MOSCOW—Nikita S. Krushchev has reaffirmed his personal belief that "there is no God." Interviewed in Moscow just before he was elected by the Supreme Soviet to be premier of the U.S.S.R., Krushchev declared that religious conviction is "a private matter for each person." At the same time, he bluntly presented his own position: "I think that there is no God, and for a long time I have had such an idea. I am an adherent of a scientific outlook. Science and the belief in supernatural powers cannot go together."

Catholic Medal in Vanguard III Criticized by D. C. Pastor

A Washington, D.C., pastor criticized officials who allowed a religious medal to be placed on the Vanguard III and urged Christians to work for "freedom from the primitive mind."

In a Sunday morning sermon, the Rev. Dr. Charles D. Kean, pastor of Epiphany Episcopal church, asserted that "the incident proves again that a symbol associated with traditional Christianity does not prevent its being used in the most blatantly superstitious manner possible."

It affords another example, Dr. Kean said, "of the need for concerned people to work with ever more consecrated purpose on behalf of the faith that makes men free, including not only freedom from political tyranny but freedom from the primitive mind."

The pastor then asked, "Would it have served just as well in the launching of the Vanguard if, along with the count-down routine, a man had been assigned at each stage in the process to cross his fingers and say 'Muggles?' Had anyone thought of attaching a four-leaf clover to the missile somewhere?"

WASHINGTON, D. C. — The Post Office announced a new 8-cent postage stamp bearing the motto "In God We Trust" is being designed and will go on sale at Cleveland, Ohio, on March 22. Like the one in use since 1954 it will be red, white and blue in color.

Methodists Wage Evangelistic Crusade in Cuba

A ten-day Methodist evangelistic crusade was waged in Cuba during February resulting in the addition of 478 new members to Methodist churches and the enrollment of 2,357 others in training classes to prepare for church membership. During the campaign, 126 American clergymen joined with Cuban ministers, missionaries, and laymen to visit homes and conduct religious services. Total attendance at the services was more than 76,600. There are now more than 9,000 members in Cuban Methodist church. Membership has doubled since 1950.

Comprehensive Dead Sea Scroll Survey to Be Published

A comprehensive and up-to-date survey of ten years' work on the Dead Sea scrolls and the community which owned them will be published April 17 by Doubleday. Title *The Ancient Library of Qumran and Modern Biblical Studies*, it was written by Frank Moore Cross, Jr., a young American archaeologist and Old Testament scholar, the leading American scholar actually working on the Dead Sea scrolls at first hand. While no previous studies have dealt with more than one-fifth of the scrolls and other material found so far, Mr. Cross' book deals with some four-fifths of all material, even though much of this is as yet unpublished and incompletely studied. The remaining one-fifth, most of it found in the eleventh cave of Qumran, is untouched, awaiting final negotiations for purchase.

The Ancient Library of Qumran and Modern Biblical Studies discusses on the basis of the author's personal experience the original discovery of many of the scrolls, the labors involved in deciphering and interpreting them, the discovery and excavation of Qumran which was occupied by the community of people who owned the scrolls, and what the finds tell about the text of the Old Testament. It also includes a synthesis of the early history of the scroll sect based on new data.

TORONTO, Ont.—Heavy advance reservations for accommodations for the Fifth World Conference of Pentecostal Churches to be held at the Canadian National Exhibition Grounds from September 14-21, are being received according to the Rev. James Montgomery, local conference secretary.

Block reservations have been made in practically all Toronto hotels as well as motels and tourist homes. One U.S. delegation (Assemblies of God, Springfield, Mo.) has reserved 250 rooms in a single hotel; another delegation (International Church of the Foursquare Gospel, Los Angeles) has booked 75 rooms in one hotel.

In a single day's mail (March 18), reservations came in from Morocco, North Africa; Mexico, Brazil; Colombia; Cuba; Panama and Indonesia. Enquiries or reservations have been previously received from Norway, Sweden, Finland, British Isles, Germany, Austria, Yugoslavia, India, Japan, Israel, Hong Kong, Mexico, South Africa, Switzerland, New Zealand and Australia, as well as the United States and Canada.

Besides the Pentecostal world conference, which is expected to attract 30,000 on the closing Sunday afternoon, another large national Canadian convention will be meeting in Toronto at the same time, taxing Toronto hotel facilities to the limit. Accordingly, it is suggested that reservations be made early.

Most hotels have given special convention rates. Mr. Montgomery points out, but these rates are given only when made through Mr. Montgomery. Full prices will be charged to all who deal with the hotels directly. Mr. Montgomery's mailing address is: 50 Euston Avenue, Toronto 6, Canada.

Unlimited free parking, at the owner's risk, will be available day and night on the C.N.E. Grounds for those who come by car.

The railway passenger associations are honoring the original clergy book all the way through to Toronto from any place in the United States. A clergy book holder from California needs only his Western clergy book and need not buy the usual Eastern and Canadian clergy book. A clergy book holder from Miami or Atlanta needs only his Southern book.

By arrangement with the Canadian railways, three "all-Pentecostal trains" will carry convention visitors only to Toronto (one train from the Maritimes, and two from Western Canada), at special convention fares.

Practice in life whatever thou prayest for, and God will give it thee more abundantly.—F. D. Huntington.



family devotions



Youth Camp Emphasis Week

BY AVIS SWIGER, Cleveland Tennessee

Memory Verse: Ecclesiastes 12:1, "Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy youth, while the evil days come not, nor the years draw nigh, when thou shalt say, I have no pleasure in them."

Monday, June 2

Scripture, Proverbs 3:1-18

The youth camp of the church is a comparatively new and a rapidly growing work. Whether or not we have young people in our home, we must support this work with all our ability.

Pray for the officials, counselors and workers of the youth camps that they may have the wisdom of God.

Thursday, June 5

Scripture, 1 Kings 3:4-15

It is so very important that we help our young people to make wise choices. This youth camp can help them to choose the "best things" of life and turn away from mediocre experiences.

Pray for the camp influence to be toward the strengthening of good character and strong morals.

Tuesday, June 3

Scripture, Matthew 7:7-29

No matter how capable our leaders are, how well organized the camp is, how much good material has been provided, the best results will not be accomplished unless we get the youth interested in attending. Talk it up, boost it.

Pray for the young people to be interested in attending.

Friday, June 6

Scripture, Romans 12

God would have all of us to be consecrated to His call and work. Age and circumstance have nothing to do with our dedication to the Lord. He requires a full dedication to each one of us.

Pray for the youth service that it will lead the young people to full consecration and dedication of their lives.

Wednesday, June 4

Scripture, 1 Samuel 3

Maybe there is something we can do to help some of the youth attend the camp. Some whose parents do not belong to the church might need assistance in getting permission. Others might need financial assistance, while some might just need spiritual encouragement.

Pray for the way to be opened to each interested person.

Saturday, June 7

Scripture, Psalm 14

To be foolish comes so easily to us, but to be wise requires the counsel of the Lord. The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom. To trust full in His love and leadership is the only safe thing.

Pray that each youth who will attend our camps this summer may be saved and fully yielded to the Lord.

The Church of God Assembly will convene August 19-23 at the Ellis Memorial Auditorium in Memphis, Tennessee.

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